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INTERACTION OF FLEXIBLE STRUCTURES

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Algebraic structures are discussed for control systems that maintain stability in the presence of resonance uncertainties. Dual algebraic operations serve as elementary connections that propagate the stability of inter-stable subsystems. Frequency responses within complex half-planes define different types of inter-stability. Dominance between incompatible types is discussed. Inter-stability produces sufficient but unnecessary stability conditions, except for conservative systems where the conditions become also necessary. Multivariable systems, collocation of actuator and sensor, and virtual collocation are treated. Instead of passivity, inter-stability relates stability to the mapping of poles and zeros by transfer functions and transfer matrices. Inter-stability determines stability on the subsystem level, is less complex even for multivariable systems, adds design flexibility, and relaxes the dynamic data problem of large systems such as space stations.

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- 1 INTER-STABILITY IS THE PROPAGATION OF STABILITY THROUGH ALGEBRAICALLY  
DEFINED CONNECTIONS OF COMPATIBLE SUBSYSTEMS.
- 2 COMPATIBLE SUBSYSTEMS ARE STABLE AND SHARE A COMPLEX HALF-PLANE FOR ALL  
MAPPINGS OF THE 1st QUADRANT FROM THE COMPLEX FREQUENCY PLANE.
- 3 ONLY LINEAR AND CONSTANT SYSTEMS ARE CONSIDERED IN THE FORM OF TRANSFER  
FUNCTIONS AND TRANSFER MATRICES.
- 4 ADDITION, REDUCTION (I.E. INVERSE ADDITION), AND MATRIX COUPLING (E.G.  
INCIDENCE MATRICES) SPECIFY THE CONNECTIONS.
- 5 INTER-STABILITY IS DIRECTLY BASED ON THE EIGENVALUE MAPPING OF PROPERLY  
CONNECTED SUBSYSTEMS INSTEAD OF A PASSIVITY CONCEPT.
- 6 INTER-STABILITY YIELDS RESONANCE-INERT (ROBUST) CONTROL SYSTEMS WITH  
THE ADDED BENEFIT OF ANALYZING LOW ORDER SUBSYSTEMS.

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PHYSICAL CONNECTIONS ARE DEFINED BY THE ALGEBRAIC OPERATIONS OF ADDITION, REDUCTION, AND MATRIX COUPLING. THE OPERATIONS KEEP VECTORS IN A SEMIPLANE.

- 1 ADDITION + WITH THE UNIT ELEMENT  $\emptyset$  HAS THE DOMINANCE ELEMENT  $\emptyset$ .  
 $A+\emptyset=A$ ,  $\emptyset+A=\emptyset$ ,  $A-A=\emptyset$ ,  $A+B=B+A$ ,  $(A+C)C=Ac+Bc$ ,  $\emptyset C=\emptyset$
- 2 REDUCTION  $\times$  WITH THE UNIT ELEMENT  $\emptyset$  HAS THE DOMINANCE ELEMENT  $\emptyset$ .  
 $A \times \emptyset = A$ ,  $\emptyset \times A = \emptyset$ ,  $A \setminus A = \emptyset$ ,  $A \times B = B \times A$ ,  $(A \times B)C = A \times B C$ ,  $\emptyset C = \emptyset$
- 3 ADDITION AND REDUCTION ARE PARALLEL AND SERIES CONNECTIONS WITH A DUALITY.  
 $(A \times A) + (A \times A) = A$ ,  $(A+A) \times (A+A) = A$ ,  $1/(A+B) = (1/A) \times (1/B)$ ,  $1/(A \times B) = (1/A) + (1/B)$
- 4 SUBDUCTION  $\setminus$  IS THE DUAL OF SUBTRACTION AND CONNECTS NEGATIVE SUBSYSTEMS.  
 NEGATIVE SUBSYSTEMS ARE INCOMPATIBLE, BUT CAN BE DOMINATED.
- 5 MATRIX COUPLING IS THE TRANSFORMATION OF A DIAGONAL MATRIX  $D$  OF SUBSYSTEM ELEMENTS BY INCIDENCE, MODAL, AND ROTATION MATRICES  $T$ .  $M=T'D-T$

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	INTER-STABILITY EXPERIENCE	
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1965	INTER-STABILITY CRITERIA FROM HALF-PLANE IMAGES AND ALGEBRAIC CONNECTIONS WERE DEFINED AND APPLIED TO STABILIZE THE SATURN-V HYDRAULIC SUPPORT.	
1970	INTER-STABILITY CRITERIA FOR SPACE VEHICLE ATTITUDE CONTROL WERE DOCUMENTED IN A SECRET REPORT (NOW DECLASSIFIED).	
1972	INTER-STABILITY WAS PROPOSED FOR RESONANCE-INERT STABILITY OF SPACE STATIONS (NASA TN D-6731, JUNE 1972).	
1974	FEASIBILITY OF INTER-STABILITY FOR THE SPACE SHUTTLE WAS SHOWN AND PROPOSED TO JSC.	
1976	RECEIVED A PATENT ON COLOCATED RATE GYROs FOR ATTITUDE REFERENCE WITH PLATFORM UPDATING AND ANOTHER PATENT ON VIBRATION ATTENUATION.	

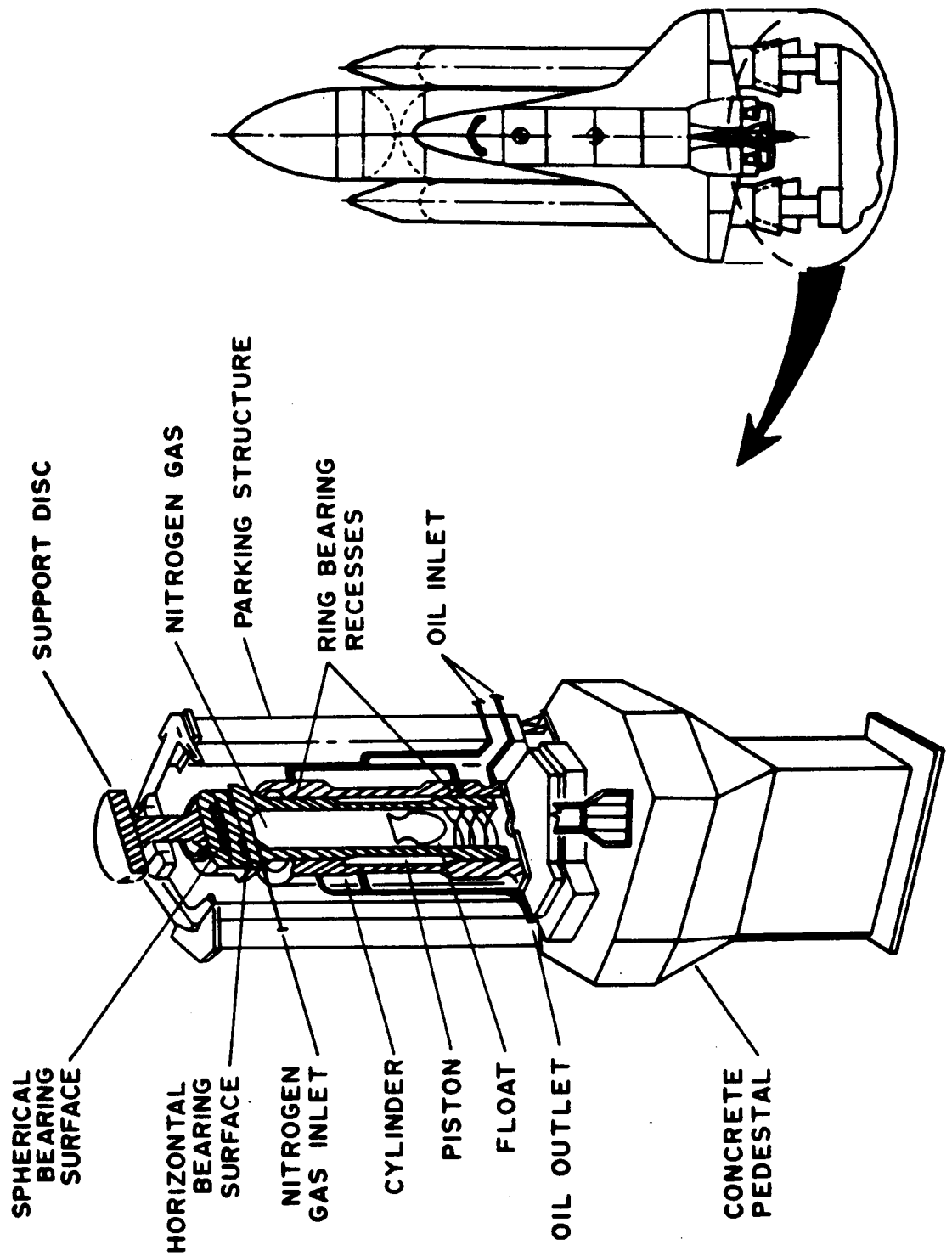
## SPACE SHUTTLE 6-DEGREES OF FREEDOM SUPPORT

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FOUR SUPPORTS HELD THE SATURN-V AND SPACE SHUTTLE DURING GROUND VIBRATION TESTS AS IN FREE FLIGHT WITHOUT FRICTION. HYDRAULIC BEARINGS AND PNEUMATIC PISTONS PROVIDED FRICTIONLESS LOW MASS SUPPORT. THE VEHICLES WERE TESTED FULL SIZE.



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THE HYDROSTATIC BEARINGS AND THE PNEUMATIC PISTON WERE DESIGNED INTER-STABLY. THE PISTON MODEL, A 2nd/2nd ORDER QUOTIENT TRANSFER FUNCTION, WAS KEPT POSITIVE IMAGINARY LIKE THE TEST ARTICLE WHICH IS ADDITIVELY CONNECTED.

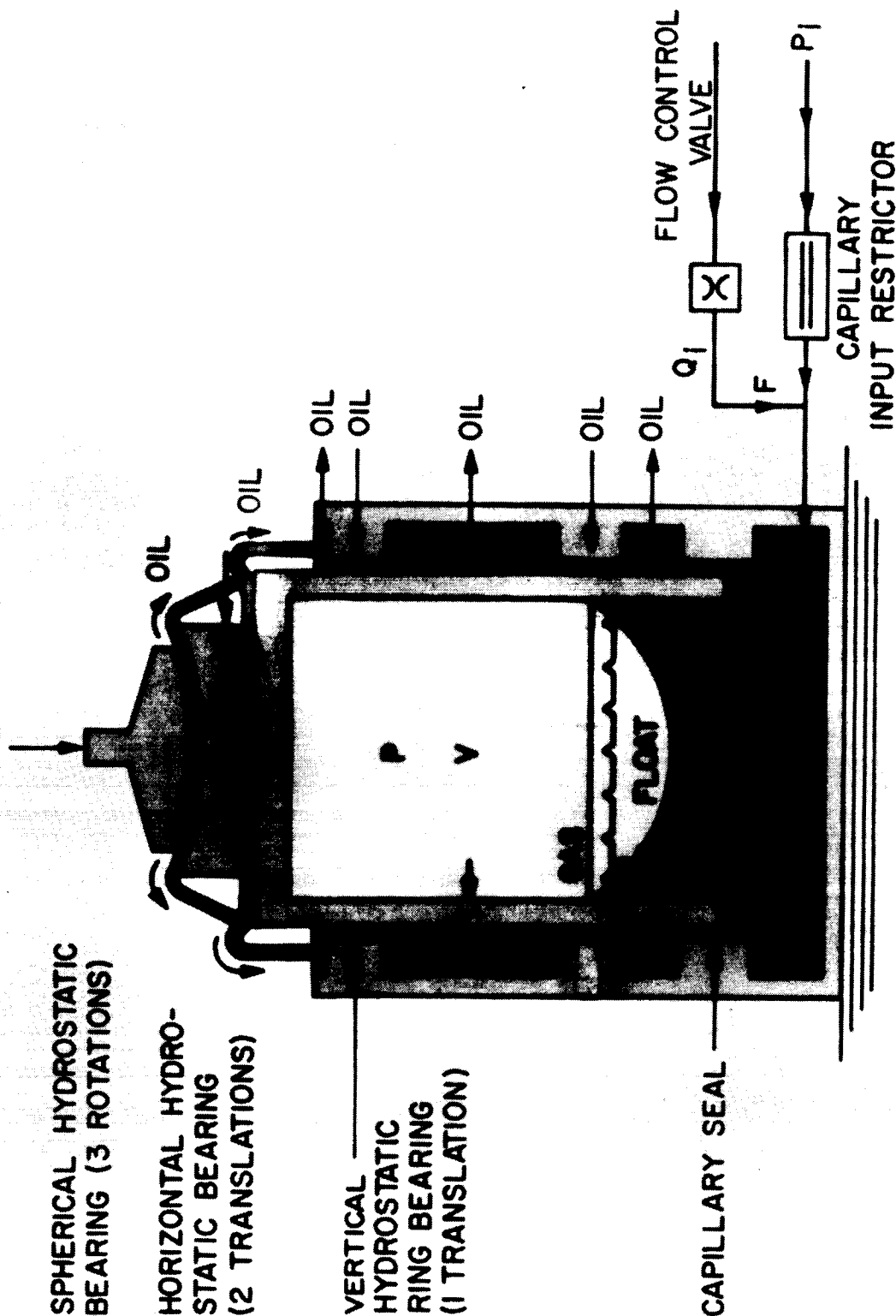
### SPACE VEHICLE'S LOAD

SPHERICAL HYDROSTATIC BEARING (3 ROTATIONS)

HORIZONTAL HYDRO-STATIC BEARING (2 TRANSLATIONS)

VERTICAL HYDROSTATIC RING BEARING (1 TRANSLATION)

CAPILLARY SEAL



SCHEMATIC OF HYDRAULIC SUPPORT UNIT

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OF POOR QUALITY

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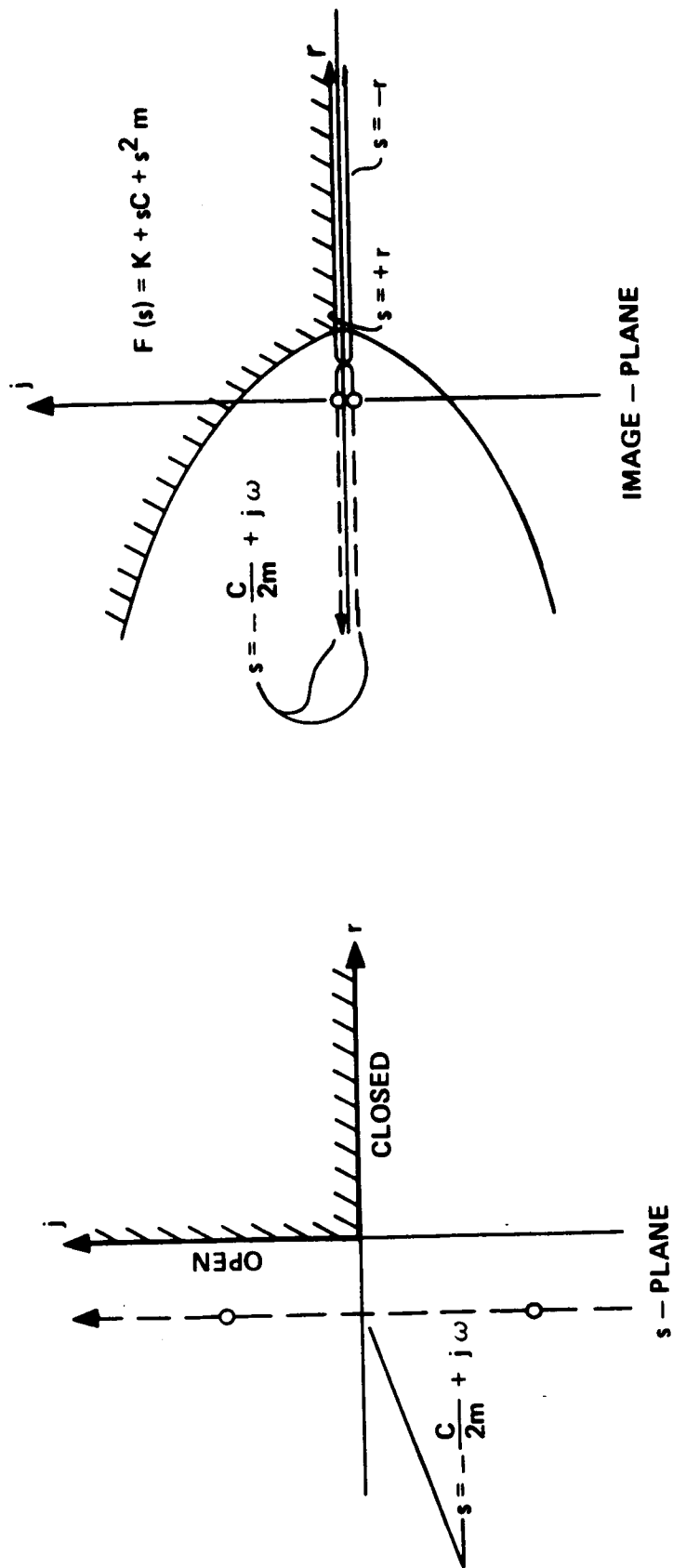
## POSITIVE IMAGINARY INTER-STABLE MAPPING EXAMPLE

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INTER-STABLE TRANSFER FUNCTIONS MAP FROM THE 1st QUADRANT OF THE COMPLEX FREQUENCY PLANE INTO A COMPLEX HALF-PLANE. THE HALF-PLANE'S ORIGIN IS THE IMAGE OF THE ZEROS AND INFINITY THE IMAGE OF THE POLES. THE FIRST QUADRANT EXCLUDES THE ORIGIN AND THE IMAGINARY AXIS, BUT INCLUDES THE POSITIVE REAL AXIS. POSITIVE IMAGINARY SYSTEMS MAP INTO THE UPPER HALF-PLANE AND ONTO THE POSITIVE REAL AXIS WITHOUT THE ORIGIN. THE NEGATIVE REAL AXIS IS EXCLUDED.





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SUBSYSTEM TRANSFER FUNCTIONS ARE STABLE AND MAP THE COMPLEX FREQUENCY PLANE'S 1ST QUADRANT INTO A COMPLEX HALF-PLANE. THE ORIGIN IS THUS NOT ENCIRCLED.

- 1 THE 1ST QUADRANT INCLUDES THE POSITIVE REAL AXIS, BUT EXCLUDES THE IMAGINARY AXIS. CONSERVATIVE SYSTEMS ARE THUS CONSIDERED AS INTER-STABLE.
- 2 POSITIVE REAL SYSTEMS MAP INTO THE RIGHT HALF-PLANE OUTSIDE THE IMAGINARY AXIS, e.g.,  $a_1 b_1 > [\text{SQR}(a_0 b_2) - \text{SQR}(a_2 b_0)]$  FOR 2ND/2ND ORDER QUOTIENTS.
- 3 POSITIVE IMAGINARY SYSTEMS MAP INTO THE UPPER HALF-PLANE OUTSIDE THE NEGATIVE REAL AXIS AND ORIGIN, e.g.,  $a_0/b_0 < a_1/b_1 < a_2/b_2$  FOR 2ND/2ND ORDER.
- 4 NEGATIVE IMAGINARY SYSTEMS MAP INTO THE LOWER HALF-PLANE OUTSIDE THE NEGATIVE REAL AXIS AND ORIGIN, e.g.,  $a_0/b_0 > a_1/b_1 > a_2/b_2$  FOR 2ND/2ND ORDER.
- 5 NEGATIVE IMAGINARY SYSTEMS BECOME POSITIVE IMAGINARY SYSTEMS BY INVERSION AND VICE VERSA.
- 6 POSITIVE REAL SYSTEMS BECOME POSITIVE (NEGATIVE) IMAGINARY WHEN MULTIPLIED (DIVIDED) BY THE COMPLEX FREQUENCY  $s$  AND VICE VERSA.
- 7 NEGATIVE IMAGINARY SYSTEMS BECOME POSITIVE IMAGINARY WHEN MULTIPLIED WITH THE COMPLEX FREQUENCY SQUARE  $s^2$  AND VICE VERSA WHEN DIVIDING WITH  $s^2$ .

## STABLE OPERATIONS & INVERSION

## $\Omega$ SET OF CONSTANT GAIN SYSTEMS

$$\Sigma \text{ SET OF STABLE SYSTEMS, } \{s, s_1, s_2\} \subset \Sigma \subset \Omega$$

## ADDITION

$$S_1 + S_2 \in \Sigma$$

## MATRIX PRODUCT

 $s_1 s_2 \in \Sigma$ 

## ADJOINT

adj S ∈  $\Sigma$ 

# DETERMINANT

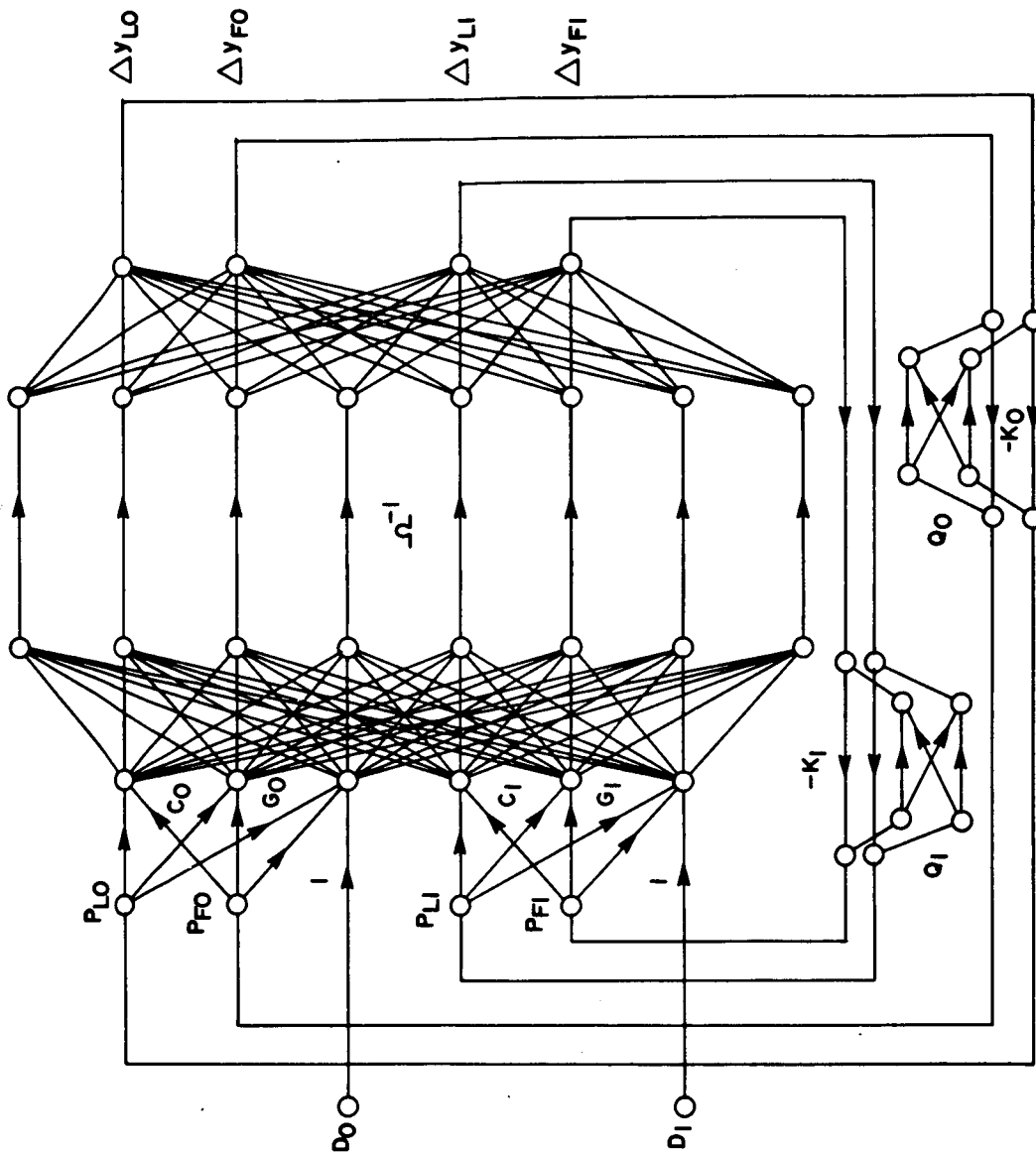
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# MATRIX INVERSION $S^{-1} = \text{adj } S / |S| \in \Omega$

## NECESSARY & SUFFICIENT FOR STABILITY: CONSIDER ZEROS OF $S$ ONLY



THE FEEDBACK VECTOR HAS FOUR P-COMPONENTS THAT REPRESENT PROPULSION GAINS FROM TANK PRESSURES TO TWO ENGINE GROUPS. THE D'S ARE DISTURBANCES. OMEGA INVERSE IS A DIAGONAL MATRIX OF RIGID VEHICLE MASS AND STRUCTURAL RESONANCES. THE DIAGONAL MATRIX CLOSES THE FEEDBACK LOOP THROUGH RECTANGULAR COUPLING (MODAL) MATRICES.



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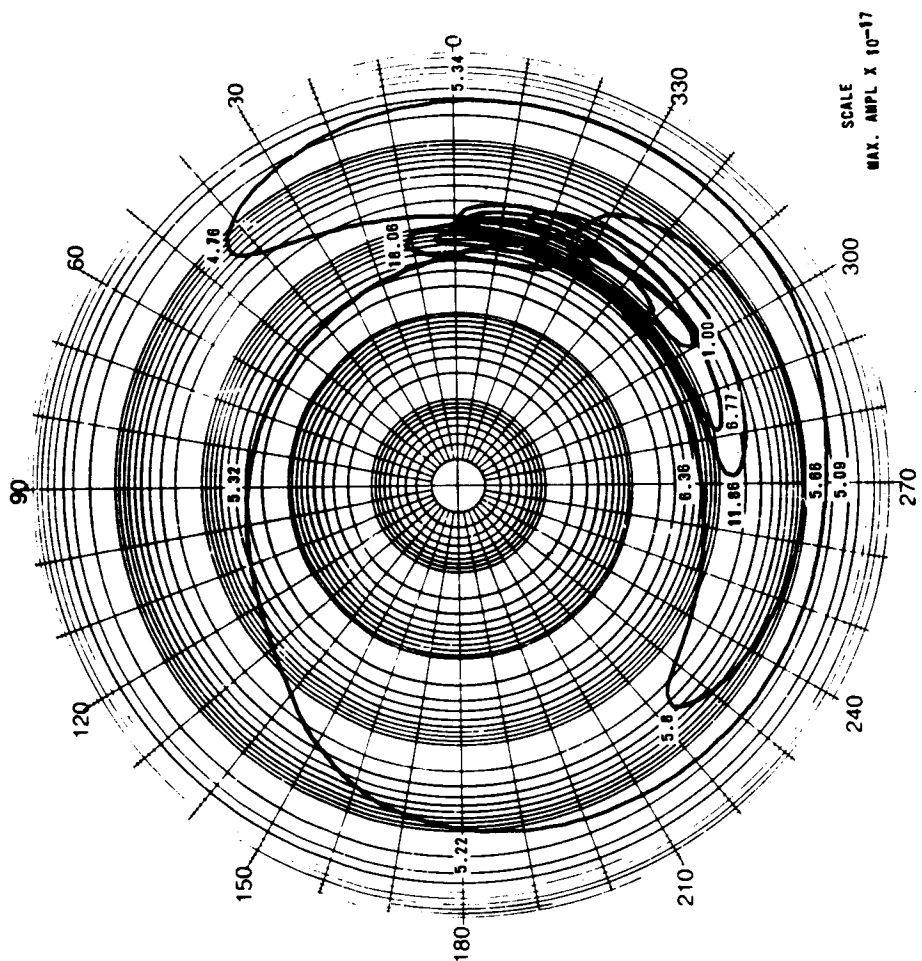
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UNSTABLE ORIGIN ENCIRCLEMENT BY DETERMINANT PLOT

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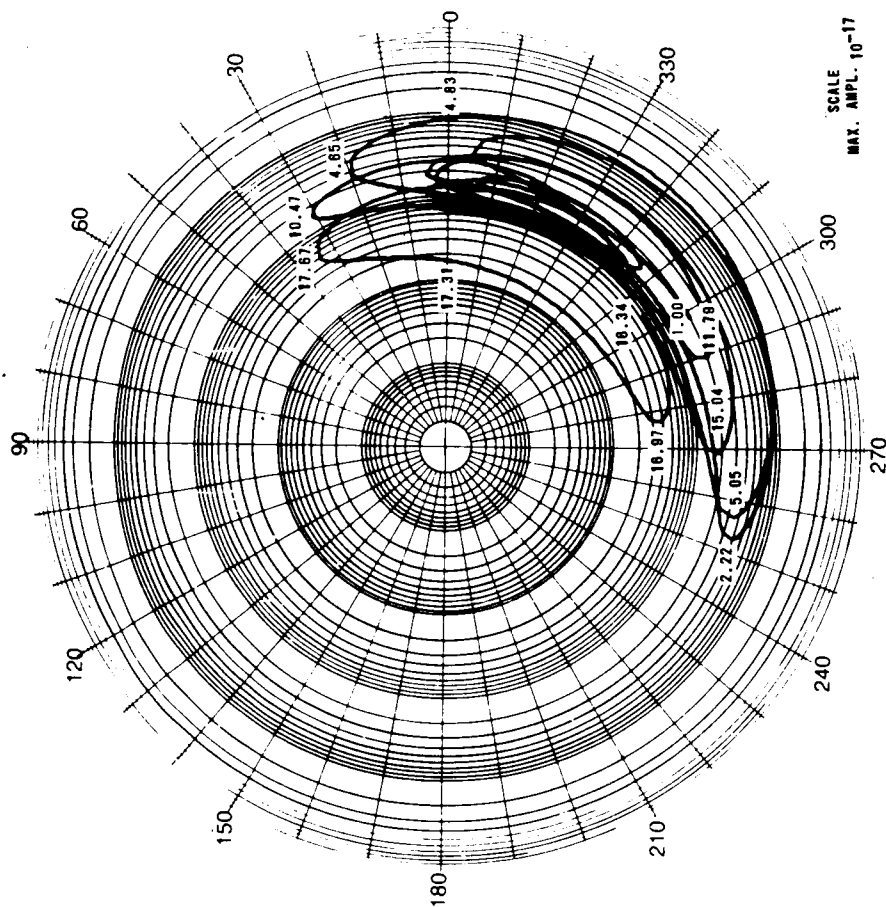
SATURN V FIRST FLIGHT STAGE OF AS-502 MISSION  
AT 120 SEC FLIGHT TIME

## STABLE DETERMINANT PLOT OUTSIDE OF ORIGIN

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FREQUENCY RESPONSE OF POGO SYSTEM MATRIX DETERMINANT SHOWS SYSTEM STABILITY BY NOT ENCIRCLING THE ORIGIN. A STABLE TRANSFER MATRIX FORMULATION WAS USED, REQUIRING A FINAL MATRIX INVERSION. PLOT SHOWS SUCCESSFUL ELIMINATION OF POGO.



SATURN V FIRST FLIGHT STAGE OF AS-504 MISSION  
AT 120 SEC FLIGHT TIME

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INTER-STABLE TRANSFER MATRICES ARE COMPLEX DEFINITE, HAVE INTER-STABLE TRANSFER FUNCTIONS AS ELEMENTS, AND ARE INTER-STABLE UNDER ADDITION AND REDUCTION.

- 1 THE TRANSFER MATRIX  $M$  IS COMPLEX DEFINITE IF THE QUADRATIC FORM  $Q = u'M u$  MAPS INTO THE ELEMENTS' HALF-PLANE FOR ALL COMPLEX VECTORS  $u$ .
- 2 MATRIX INVERSION HAS A COMPLEX CONJUGATE (DENOTED BY  $'$ ) QUADRATIC FORM  $P = v'M^{-1} v = u'M'u = Q'$  FOR  $v = M u$  AND THUS IS INTER-STABLE.
- 3 MATRIX ADDITION PRESERVES THE INTER-STABILITY OF THE ELEMENTS AS SEEN FROM  $Q = u'(M + N) u = u'M u + u'N u$ .
- 4 THE INVERSION OF A MATRIX SUM PRESERVES INTER-STABILITY AS SEEN FROM  $Q = v'(M + N)^{-1} v = u'(M' + N') u = u'M'u + u'N'u$  FOR  $v = (M + N) u$ .
- 5 MATRIX REDUCTION PRESERVES INTER-STABILITY AS SEEN FROM  $Q = u'(M \times N) u = v'(M'^{-1} + N'^{-1}) v = v'M'^{-1} v + v'N'^{-1} v$  FOR  $v = (M \times N) u$ .
- 6 MATRIX REDUCTION IS COMMUTATIVE LIKE ADDITION AND IS DEFINED AS FOLLOWS  $M \times N = (M'^{-1} + N'^{-1})^{-1} = (N'^{-1} + M'^{-1})^{-1} = N \times M$ .

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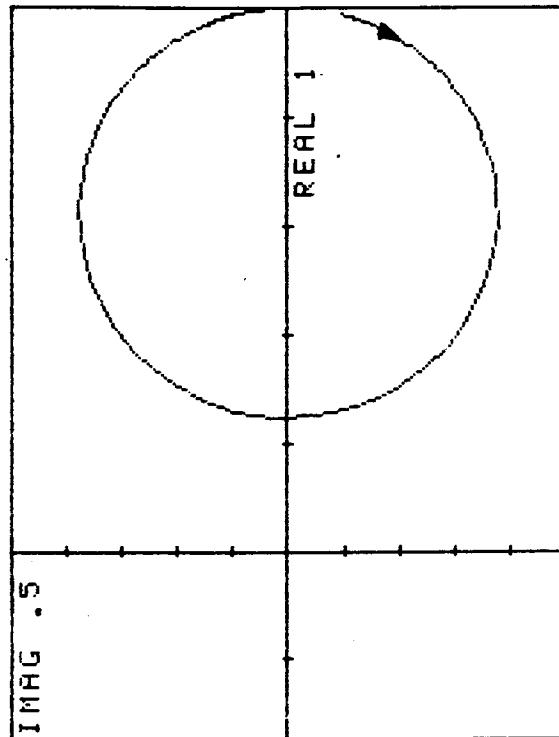
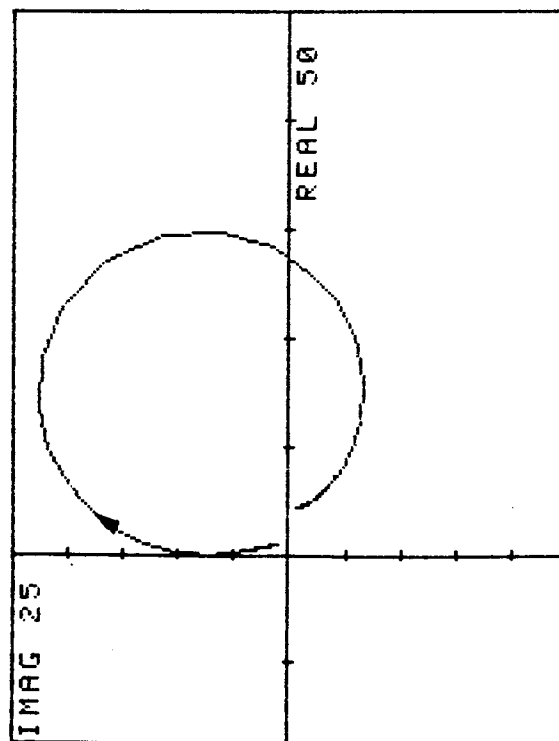
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POSITIVE REAL TRANSFER FUNCTION

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POSITIVE REAL TRANSFER FUNCTIONS FOR A LEAD NETWORK ON THE LEFT AND A NOTCH  
(LAG/LEAD) FILTER ON THE RIGHT.





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POSITIVE IMAGINARY DOMINANCE

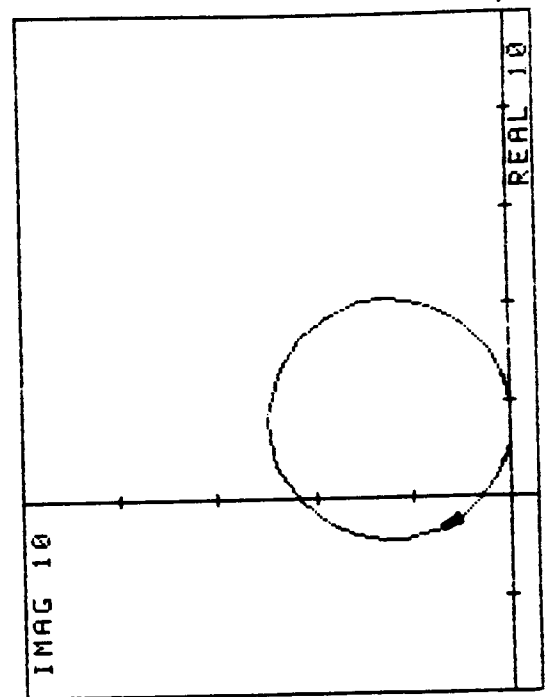
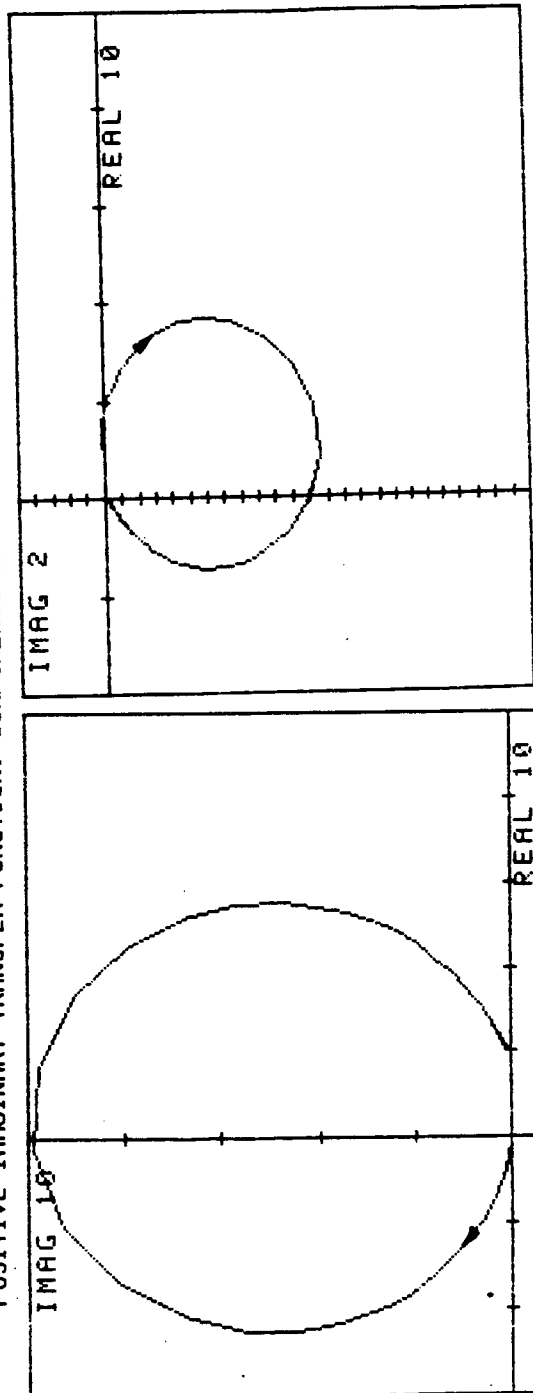
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POSITIVE IMAGINARY ADDED TO A NEGATIVE IMAGINARY TRANSFER FUNCTION RESULTS IN A  
POSITIVE IMAGINARY TRANSFER FUNCTION. COMPONENTS ARE 2nd/2nd ORDER QUOTIENTS.



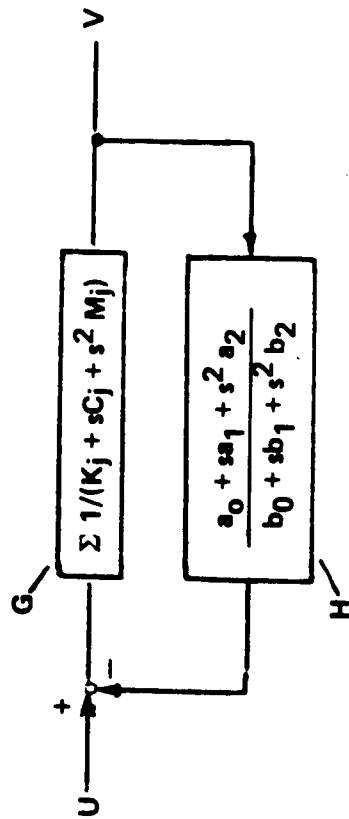
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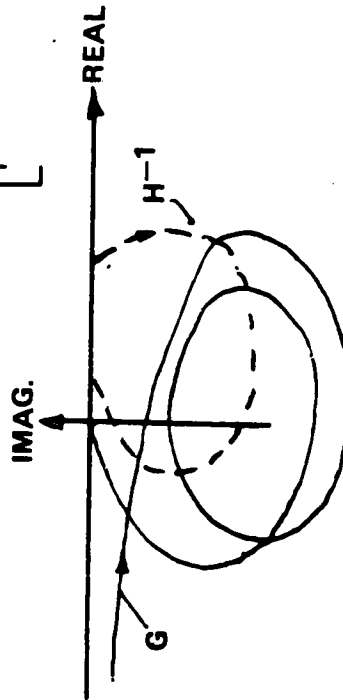
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$$\begin{aligned} V &= G(U - H V) \\ U &= (1/G + H)V \\ V &= U/(1/G + H) \\ V &= (G \times 1/H)U \end{aligned}$$

$$V = \left[ \frac{\sum 1/(K_i + sC_i + s^2 M_i)}{i} \right] \times \frac{b_0 + sb_1 + s^2 b_2}{a_0 + sa_1 + s^2 a_2} U$$

## COMPLEX IMAGE PLANE

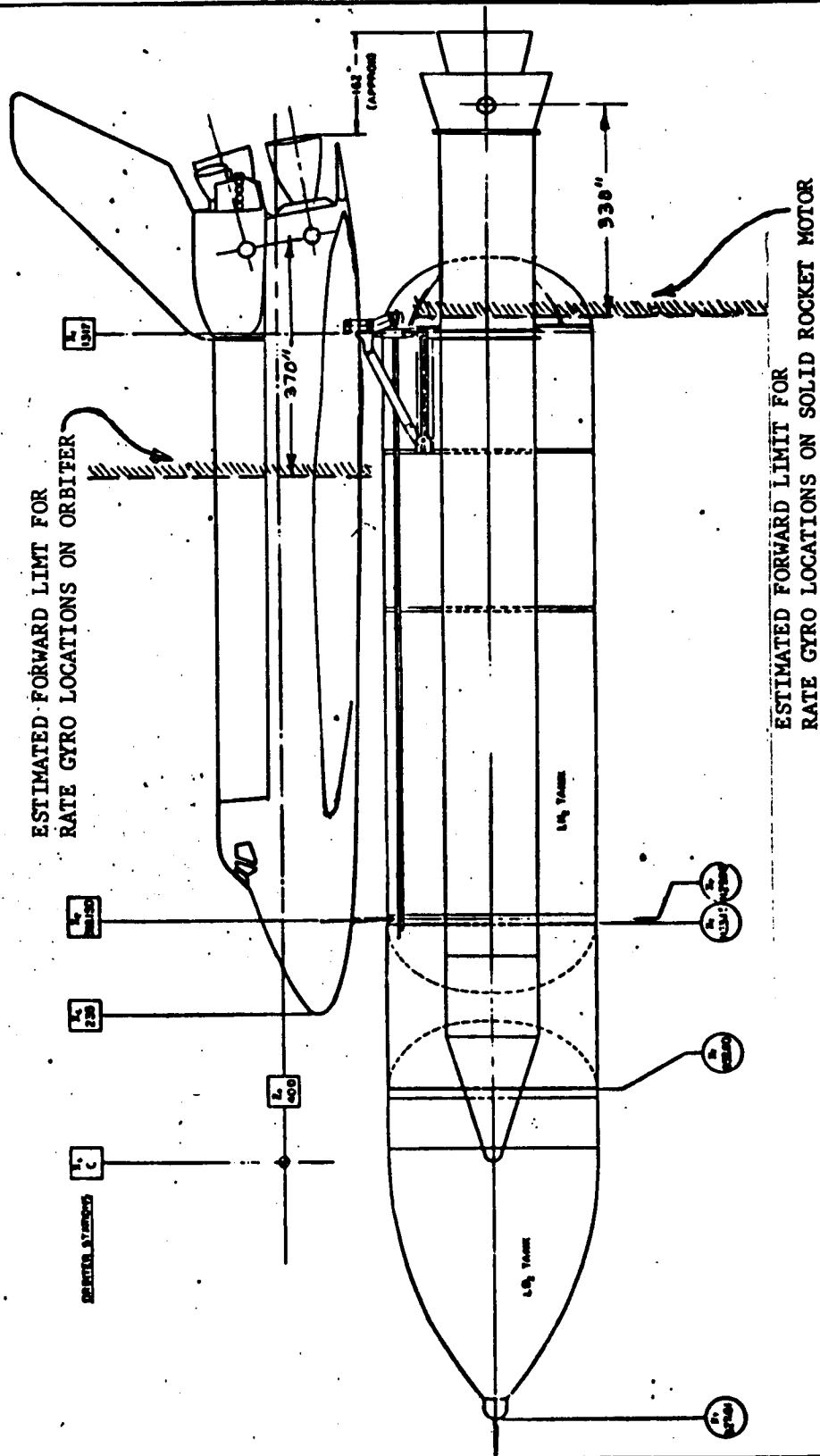


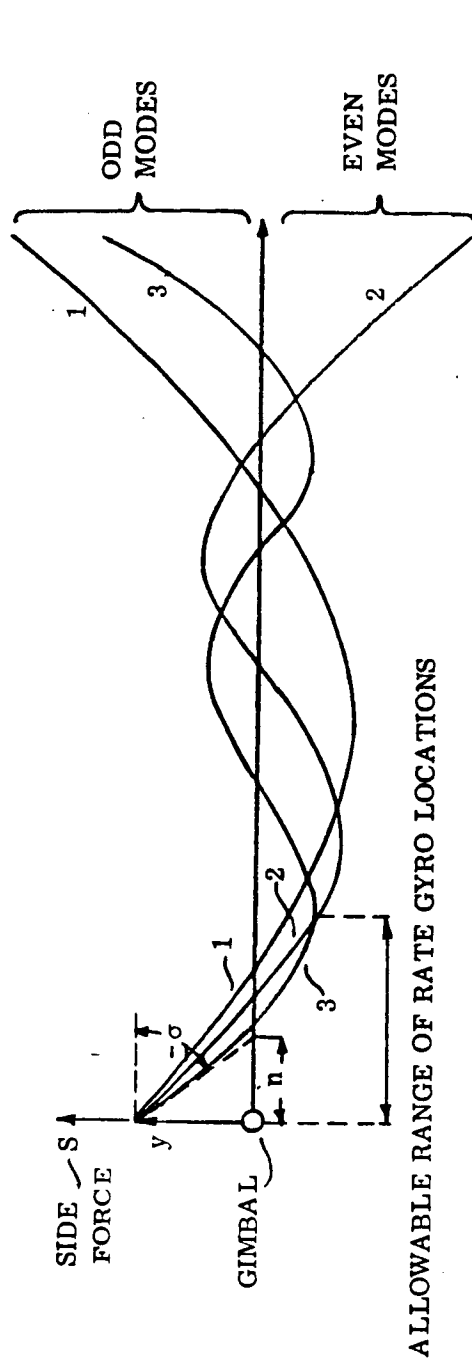
INTER-STABILITY:

$$b_0/a_0 > b_1/a_1 > b_2/a_2$$

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# SYSTEMS DYNAMICS RATE GYRO COLOCATION RANGE FOR SPACE SHUTTLE LABORATORY ED14





$$\text{MODAL RESPONSE: } \frac{-\sigma}{S} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{-Y_i Y_i'}{m_i (\omega_i^2 + s^2 \zeta_i \omega_i + s^2)}$$

$$\text{GIMBAL RELATION: } y = -\sigma n, n > 0$$

$$\text{RATE GYRO CONDITION: } \frac{\text{SENSOR ROTATION}}{\text{GIMBAL TRANSLATION}} < 0 \text{ below of } \sim 5 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\text{ALLOWABLE RATE GYRO LOCATION RANGE: SA-V 12m, ORB. } \sim 4\text{m, SRM } \sim 8 \text{ m}$$

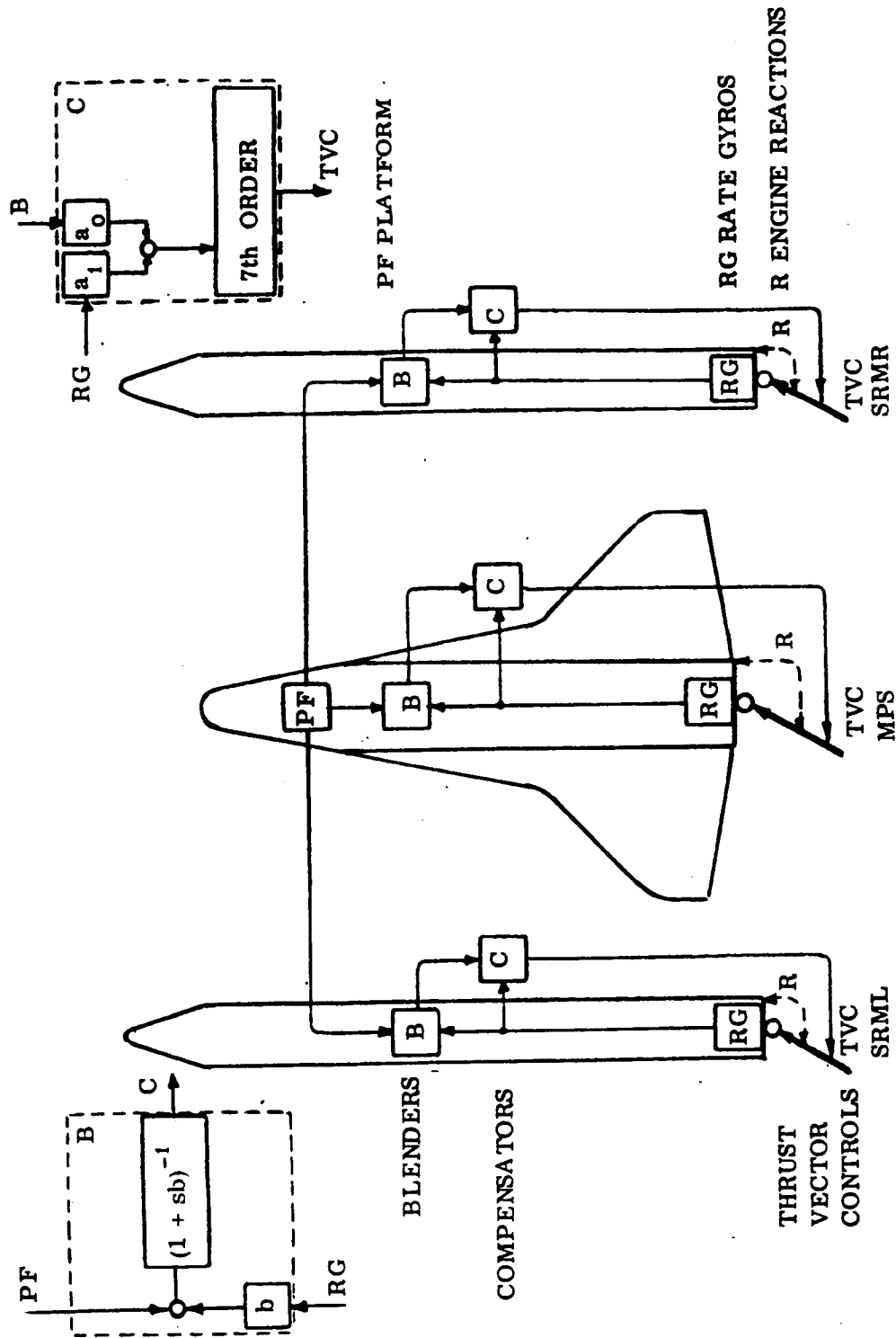
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## INTER-STABLE SPACE SHUTTLE ATTITUDE CONTROL

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NOTE: BLENDERS AND COMPENSATORS ARE NOT PHYSICALLY SEPARATED, ONLY THEIR SIGNALS ARE SEPARATED.

## SYSTEMS DYNAMICS

## DECOMPOSITION OF A 2nd/2nd ORDER QUOTIENT

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A POSITIVE IMAGINARY TRANSFER FUNCTION QUOTIENT IS DECOMPOSED INTO ADDITIVE AND REDUCTIVE BRANCHES THAT RESEMBLE MECHANICAL COMPONENTS. THE ALGORITHM DELIVERS NECESSARY AND SUFFICIENT CONDITIONS FOR INTER-STABILITY. CONTINUOUS FRACTIONS CAN BE USED, BUT YIELD ONLY SUFFICIENT CONDITIONS, EXCEPT FOR CONSERVATIVE SYSTEMS. GENERALLY, TRANSFER FUNCTION PLOTS ALWAYS YIELD NECESSARY AND SUFFICIENT INTER-STABILITY CONDITIONS.

$$F(s) = \frac{a_0 + sa_1 + s^2 a_2}{b_0 + sb_1 + s^2 b_2} = K_0 + [(sC_1 + sM) \times (K_1 + [K_2 \times sC_2])] ]$$

$$K_0 = a_0/b_0$$

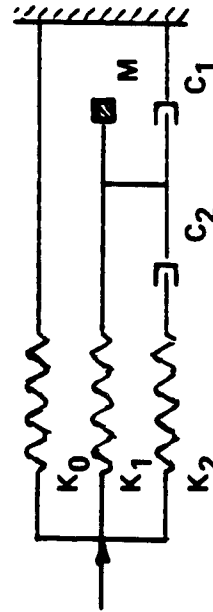
$$C_1 = (a_1 - b_1 a_0/b_0)/b_0$$

$$M = (a_2 - b_2 a_0/b_0)/b_0$$

$$K_1 = a_1/b_1 - a_0/b_0$$

$$K_2 = a_2/b_2 - a_1/b_1$$

$$C_2 = (a_2 - b_2 a_1/b_1)/b_1$$



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- 1 INTER-STABLE CONTROL SYSTEMS ARE INHERENTLY INSENSITIVE TO RESONANCES WHICH RELAXES THE DYNAMIC DATA PROBLEM.
- 2 DOCKING AND UNDOCKING CANNOT UPSET STABILITY FOR SUBSYSTEMS OF THE SAME INTER-STABILITY TYPE. THREE TYPES ARE IDENTIFIED.
- 3 BUILDING BLOCK FEATURE REDUCES THE DIMENSION OF ANALYSES BY MAGNITUDE, HELPS THE UNDERSTANDING, AND GUIDES THE DESIGN.
- 4 INTER-STABILITY UNCOUPLES DIVERSE DESIGN AREAS AND DEFINES THE INTERFACES. CRITERIA ARE WELL DEFINED AND READY FOR THE SPACE STATION DEVELOPMENT.